

Dr. G. D. McNeill
 1877 - 1964
 Teacher at Buckeye
 1894 - 4 mo. School Term
 1895 -96; 1898 - 1900;
 1911 -



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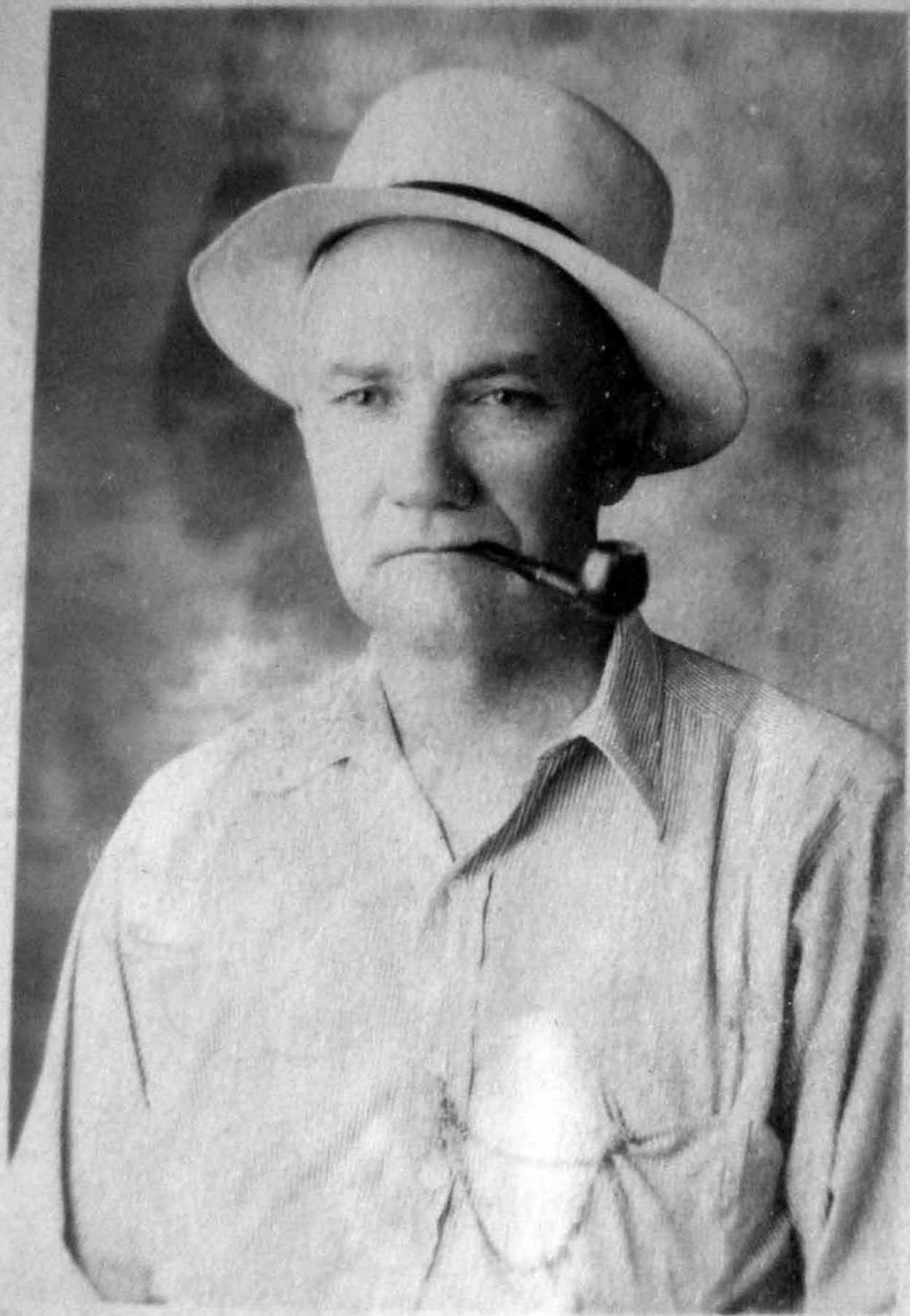


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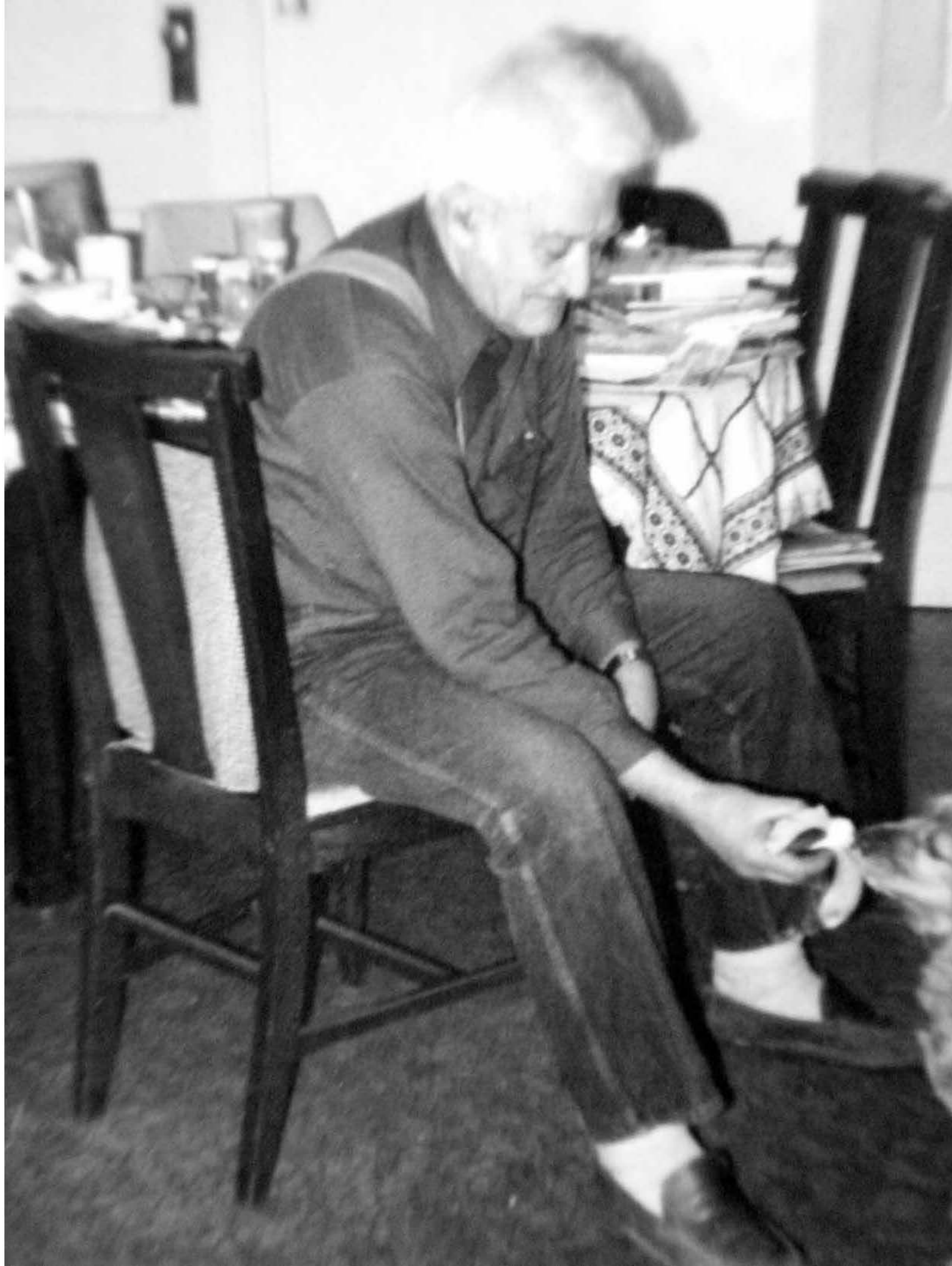


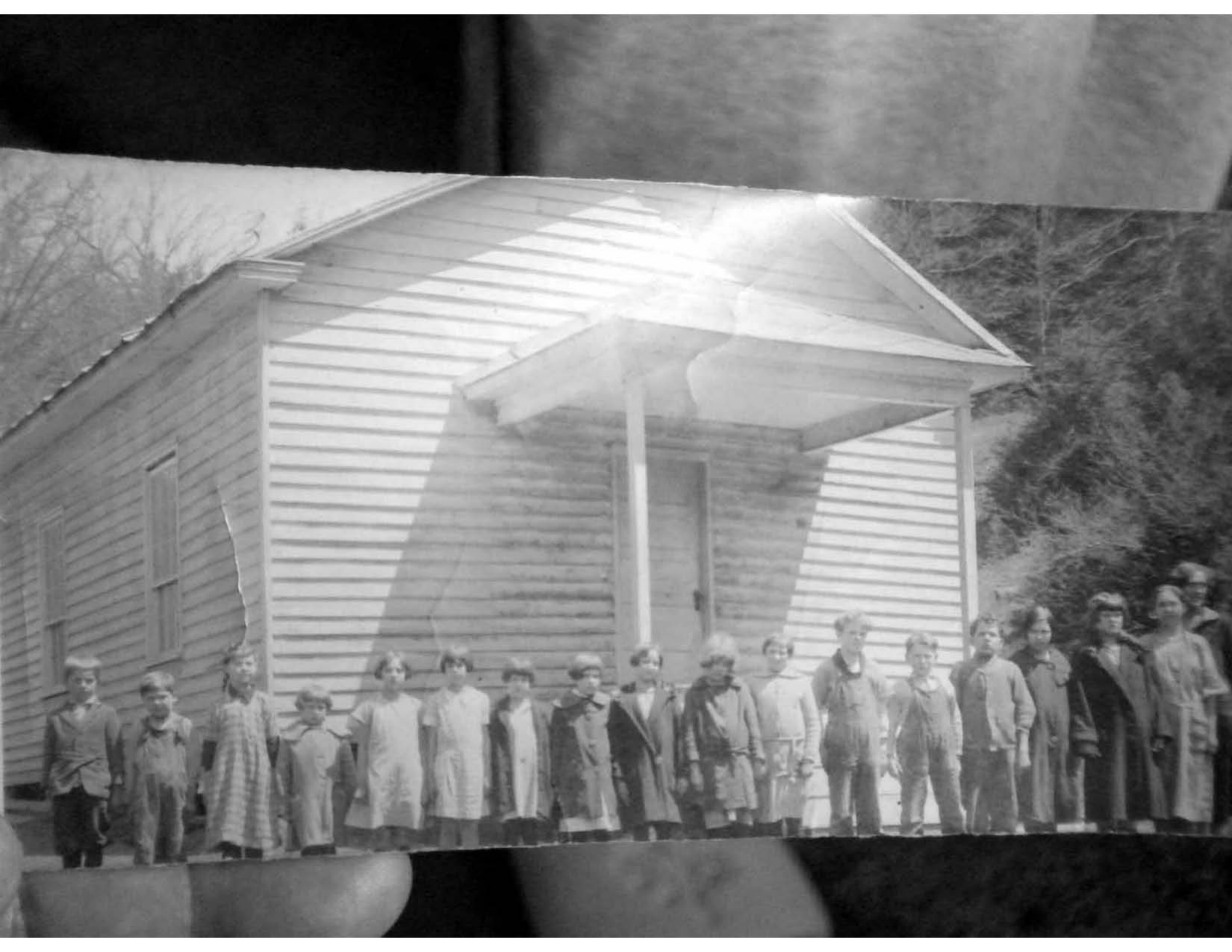




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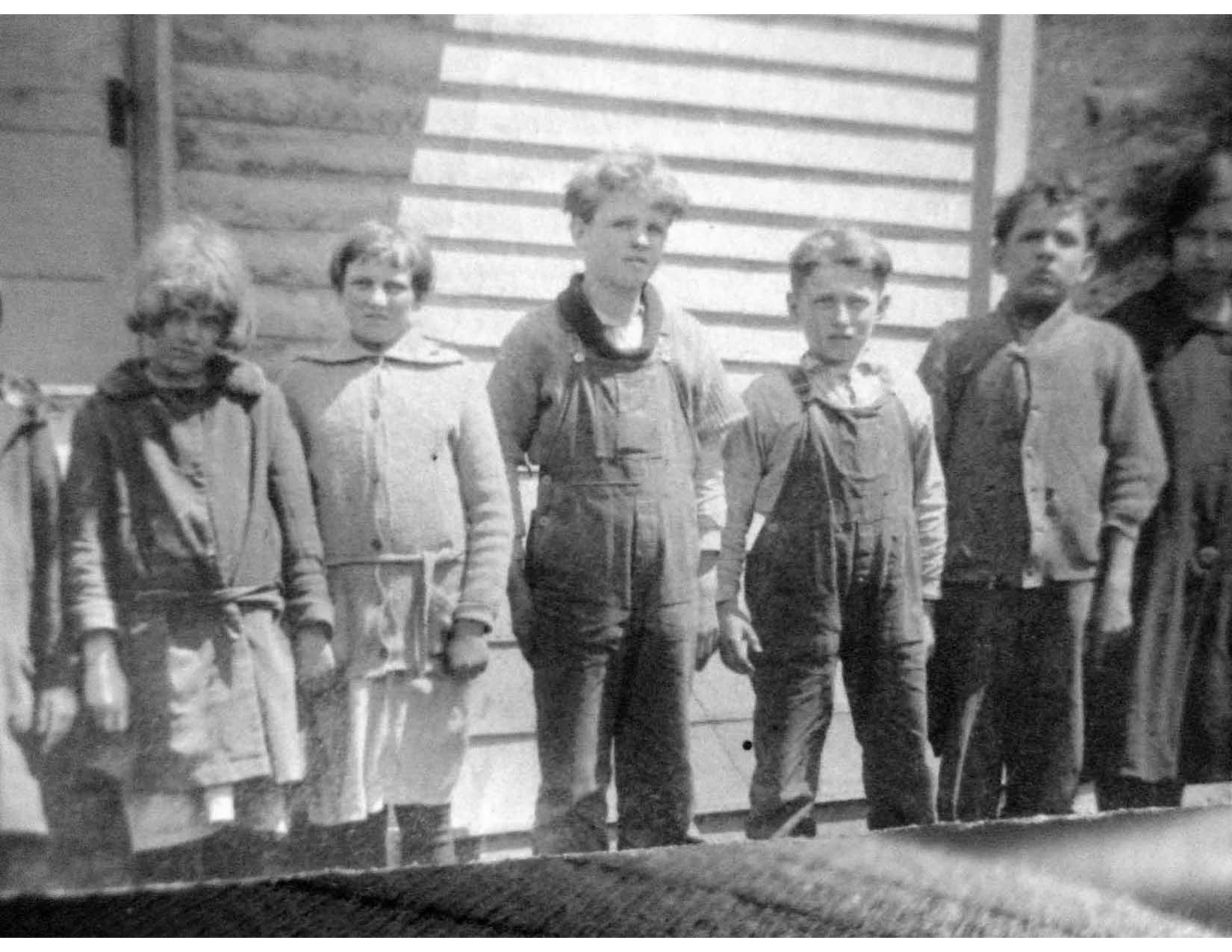
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any way. They know they are welcome.

Here follows the piece printed about the wedding in this paper fifty years ago:

MARRIED

Pocahontas Times

Issue of Thursday. Feb. 5, 1903

An interesting society event transpired January 29th, 1903 on the Dry Branch of Swago at 3:00 P. M., when Geo. Douglas McNeill and Marietta Grace McNeill were united in holy matrimony, Wm. T. Price officiating upon the auspicious occasion. The bride is the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William McNeill, a popular teacher of public schools, and a highly estimated young person. The groom is the only son of Capt. James M. McNeill, of Buckeye vicinity, a teacher of public schools and a recent graduate in the study of law at Washington, D. C., where he served as clerk in the census department the last two or three years. The party was chaperoned by the bride's sister, Mrs. O. H. Kee, while Mr. Kee acted as the groom's best man.

A beautiful supper was spread and heartily enjoyed by forty or more persons. Miss Viola and Mittie Kee presided at the organ, and contributed much to the pleasure of the company with their performance.









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Forty-Seventh

Annual

Commencement



Davis and Elkins College

Tuesday, May Twenty-Nine
Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-One

Forty-Seventh

Annual Commencement

10:20 A.M.	Processional	
Invocation		Rev. John H. Stanton
Valedictory		Roy B. Clarkson Summa Cum Laude
Solo	"Lo! Hear the Gentle Lark" Evangeline Collins Mauzy Mrs. G.H. Neale, Accompanist	Sir Henry R. Bishop
Address		Major General Charles I. Carpenter Chief of Air Force Chaplains Department of Defense Washington, D.C.
Solo	"God of the Open Air" Evangeline Collins Mauzy Mrs. G.H. Neale, Accompanist	Noble Cain
Conferring of Baccalaureate Degrees		
Conferring of Honorary Degrees		
Presentation of Awards		
General Announcements		
Benediction		Rev. Walter W. White
Recessional		
Marshals:		Lorna Jeanne Greves, '52 Maurice Glenn Scott, '52

The audience will remain standing for the
Recessional

Bachelor of Arts

Adams, Catherine Terrill (cum laude)	Fairmont	**Hedrick, Frank A.	Elkins
Adams, Jacqueline Sutton	Narrows, Va.	Hill, Theodore E.	Belington
*Albee, James Allen	Wantagh, N.Y.	Kim, Chong Soung	Seoul, Korea
*Baldwin, William DeMorris	Pelham, N.Y.	Knopp, Kenneth Clay	Staunton, Va.
Bennett, Dorothy Ruth	Baldwin, N.Y.	*Kotch, Ione	Frackville, Pa.
*Biale, Wilbourn George	Clarksburg	Lee, Donna Jane	Bolivar
Burns, Russell Dowell	Welch	Mewha, Rebecca E.	Wellsburg
Carr, Chata Ingram	Elkins	**Midkiff, Barbara Bird	Elkins
Chenoweth, Okey Everett, Jr. (cum laude)	Elkins	Mitchell, Barbara Elizabeth (cum laude)	Piedmont
Clark, Melvin A.	Elkins	*Rice, Donald L.	Beverly
*Clone, Denver H.	St. George	**Right, Lee	Belington
Cunningham, Betty Ann (cum laude)	Elkins	Ryu, Ki-Sook (cum laude)	Seoul, Korea
DeBoise, Dorothy Virginia	Baldwin, N.Y.	Schuetz, Deloras Jacqueline	Wheeling
DiGiacomo, Felix A.	Newark, N.J.	Schuhmann, Nelson Charles	Crestwood, N.Y.
Ferguson, Elwood L.	Montrose	Sheets, Forrest D. (cum laude)	Huntington
Gessinger, John Allen (magna cum laude)	Millville, N.J.	Shiflet, Elizabeth Hopkins (cum laude)	Cap Mills
Guthall, Meade Leroy	Norton	Thomas, Richard Lynn	Brooklyn, N.Y.
*Harman, Monna Rae	Elkins	Tuttle, John L.	Lafayette, Calif.
Hayes, Richard Perkins	Portsmouth, Va.	**Yount, William Davis	Petersburg

Bachelor of Science

Andres, William Wolcott, Jr.	Elkins	Mays, Richard Puckett (magna cum laude)	Beckley
Arias-Smith, Edward Phillipps	Gassaway	Munns, George William, Jr., (cum laude)	Nutley, N.J.
*Bahayan, Iris Cora	New York, N.Y.	Novich, Edward Herbert	Hoboken, N.J.
**Beard, Carl George, II	Mill Point	Porter, Donald Kent	New Rochelle, N.Y.
Brochinsky, Myron Russell	Ansonia, Conn.	Purvis, Matthew Robert, Jr.	Fanwood, N.J.
Campbell, Paul Ray	Elkins	Reed, Miriam Woodworth (magna cum laude)	Burlington
Carter, Kenneth Ellsworth	Ridgeley	Robinson, Bert Paul	Waldorf, Md.
Ceravolo, Joseph James	Aliquippa, Pa.	Roltsch, Albert Lawrence	Bogota, N.J.
Clarkson, Roy B. (summa cum laude)	Cass	Sadowitz, Jerome (magna cum laude)	Brooklyn, N.Y.
Cochran, Morgan Wilkins (magna cum laude)	Elkins	Sheppard, Thomas Franklyn	Ansonia, Conn.
Corley, Robert H. (magna cum laude)	Junior	Siertl, Nancy Kiess (cum laude)	Elkins
Dailey, Robert Wood, IV	Romney	Smith, Leonora R.	Flushing, N.Y.
Dawkey, Doris Jean	Dailey	Smith, Robert Reed	Upper Montclair, N.J.
*Gibson, Stanley G.	Marlinton	*South, Walter M.	Moundsville
Hathaway, Robert Hall	Belington	*Stover, Thomas McNair (cum laude)	Doe Hill, Va.
Hill, Evelyn Jane (magna cum laude)	Elkins	Updike, Russell Bosworth	Mill Creek
Hill, Neil Wesley	Greenbank	**Visnich, Peter	Export, Pa.
Horn, Alfred Daniel	Ridgefield Park, N.J.	Visnich, Sam	Export, Pa.
*Houseworth, William A.	Manhasset, N.Y.	*Vris, Thomas	Jutland, N.J.
*Kilmuff, Timothy J.	Elkins	Wesner, John Christopher (summa cum laude)	Spangler, Pa.
McCarley, Julian E. (magna cum laude)	Arlington, Va.	Wimer, Don Morris	Cumberland, Md.
Madden, Joseph J., Jr.	Elkins	**Winkler, Mary Margaret (magna cum laude)	Charleston

Bachelor of Science in Physical Education

*Bennett, John Charles	Wheeling	Layman, Cecil Gordon, Jr. (cum laude)	Waynesboro, Va.
*Byrd, Jack Ardell	Huntersville	**McKelvey, Thomas Lester	West Englewood, N.J.
*Childers, Earl Stephen	Elkins	Madden, Robert C.	Elkins
Clark, James Brady	Elkins	Pascuzzi, Frank B.	Baden, Pa.
Fitzwater, Clarence T.	Stony Bottom	*Ritenhouse, Ernest John	Bergenfield, N.J.
**Fugate, James William	Milton	Scarfo, Rosie Marie	Norton
Gallard, Hubert Raymond	Marlinton	Simmons, Eugene Neil	Elkins
*Gibbs, Edward Francis	Newark, N.J.	**Stewart, Allen D.	Frank
Guthall, Neil A.	Norton	Supak, Edward N.	St. George
Hamilton, Harry William, Jr.	Fairlawn, N.J.	Underwood, Nathaniel Benson	Ronceverte
*Kewens, John W.	Kerens	Walden, Richard B.	Elkins
		Walden, Thomas Edgar	Elkins

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Arbogast, Luty Chew	Blue Grass, Va.	*Perry, Donald L.	Elkins
*Berke, Roger Joseph	Mt. Vernon, N.Y.	Phares, Stanley Virgil (cum laude)	Elkins
Brown, David Dann	Elkins	Phillips, Hayward Clinton	Elkins
*Calain, Jack L.	Elkins	*Quirk, Clary Andrew	Englewood, N.J.
Catala, Joseph Morrell	Livingston, N.J.	Reid, Robert L., Jr.	Baldwin, N.Y.
Chase, Norman	New London, Conn.	*Reid, Warren R.	Mt. Vernon, N.Y.
Christian, Charles Clifford, Jr.	Kearny, N.J.	*Riggleman, Margaret Jeanne	Elkins
Condry, Elizabeth D. (cum laude)	Elkins	*Ross, Robert John	Richmond Hills, N.Y.
Cummings, James Hawthorne, Jr. (cum laude)	Bloomfield, N.J.	Simmons, Clarence Edwin	Elkins
Donaldson, Robert Carl	Belington	Somerville, Thomas William	West Englewood, N.J.
Drenkard, Allan Albert	Hackensack, N.J.	Tagliabue, Robert Warren	Englewood, N.J.
Earle, Richard Delbert	Elkins	Talbot, Sue Dowden	Elkins
*Forrest, Robert Arthur	West Englewood, N.J.	Telemeco, William	Valley Bend
*Fredrick, Robert Clifford	Bloomfield, N.J.	Tucci, Josephine	Norton
Karcher, Frank W., Jr.	Floral Park, N.Y.	*Wamsley, Kenneth Neil	Elkins
*Kotter, Robert Ernest	Newark, N.J.	Warner, Charles Jones	Circleville
Leonard, Charles F. (cum laude)	New Rochelle, N.Y.	*Weese, Keith Conrad	Columbus, Ohio
Lindsay, James Joseph, III.	Manhasset, N.Y.	*Williams, Stanton Monroe	Arlington, Va.
Mahman, Thomas Veitch, Jr.	Bronxville, N.Y.	Figueron, Xenia Villalon	Heredia, Costa Rica
Patchett, Roger LeRoy	West Englewood, N.J.		

Bachelor of Science in Engineering

Canfield, Floyd Bartlett	Montrose	Reynolds, Adelbert James	Ashville, N.C.
Carpenter, Richard Gordon	Elkins	Richards, Leslie William, Jr.	Northbrook, Ill.
Feick, George, Jr.	Asbury Park, N.J.	Santuro, Sergio	Brooklyn, N.Y.
Grotefend, Richard Frank	Tenafly, N.J.	*Sheakley, Edward Alexander	Linesville, Pa.
*Johnson, Andrew Stanley	Clayton, N.Y.	Silcosky, Donald N.	Johnsonburg, Pa.
Pishtey, Wallace	Yonkers, N.Y.	Sytch, John, Jr. (cum laude)	Rahway, N.J.
*Plemons, Charles Edward	Elkins	*Townsend, Lorn G. (magna cum laude)	Diana
		Ward, Robert James	Ellamore

Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education

*Ault, William Glenn	Red Creek	*Hayes, Arta Lee	Hillsboro
*Bennett, Emmel Alice	Circleville	*Hinkle, Coline F.	Parsons
Blankenship, Carolyn Cole (magna cum laude)	Pineville	*Hockenberry, I'Dell G.	Valley Bend
Bonner, Louise Haggerty	Elkins	Hogshhead, Sue Bell	Elkins
*Bullion, Lillie Mae	Huttonsville	Isch, Rose F.	Elkins
*Cunningham, Wanda G.	Coalton	*Kisamore, James Mason	Mouth of Seneca
*Cutlip, Plummer F.	Buckeye	*Mallow, Hope H.	Durbin
*Daniels, Elva Louise	Beverly	Mallow, Rubie C.	Macksville
*Dove, Seylon	Riverton	*Osborne, Helen Louise	Mill Creek
*Graham, Fay Harr	Hendricks	*Sharpless, Louise B.	Elkins
Grotefend, Telete Richards	Tenafly, N.J.	Shiflet, Eleanor Knott (cum laude)	Cap Mills
*Harris, Macel Keener	Greenbank		

Honorary Degrees

Mrs. Esther S. Allen, Doctor of Laws
 Mrs. Lolas Brewer, Doctor of Laws
 Mr. G.D. McNeill, Doctor of Laws

Rev. Walter W. White, Doctor of Divinity

Mr. James R. Moreland, Doctor of Laws
 Rev. Claude King Davis, Doctor of Divinity
 Rev. John Hubert Stanton, Doctor of Divinity

The presence of a student's name upon this program does not necessarily indicate that he will graduate with his class. All college regulations must be complied with before the diploma can be granted.

* - completed work January 27, 1951

** - completed work September 2, 1950

A TRIBUTE
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MARLINTON, W. VA.
JULY 6 1961

Memorial Obituary



Mrs. G. D. McNeill

Mrs. Marietta Grace McNeill, 82, of Buckeye, died at the Pocahontas Memorial Hospital on Saturday, July 1, 1961, after a long illness. Mrs. McNeill was born at Buckeye on January 22, 1879, the daughter of the late William C. and Susan Buckley McNeill. On January 29, 1903, she was united in marriage to George Douglas McNeill, who survives.

In her youth Mrs. McNeill was a teacher in the district schools, and throughout her life was a professing Christian and a member of the Buckeye Methodist Church.

Surviving are: her husband, G. D. McNeill of Buckeye; two sons, Ward K. McNeill of Columbus, Ohio, and James W. McNeill, of Buckeye; two daughters, Mrs. Carleton P. (Elizabeth) Dorsey and Mrs. Roger W. (Louise) Pease, both of Morgantown. Al-

so surviving are her sister, Mrs. Edna M. Kellison, of Beard; her brother, R. S. McNeil, of Marlinton; four grandchildren: John D. McNeill, Fresno, California; Blix and Cheryl McNeill, at home; Douglas Pease, of Hanover, New Hampshire; and two great-grandchildren, Larch Ann and Rosemarie McNeill, of California.

Funeral services were held at two o'clock, July 3, at the Swago Methodist Church, with the Reverend Ezra Bennett in charge; interment followed at the family cemetery at Buckeye.

"Strength and dignity are her clothing . . . and the law of kindness is on her tongue . . . She looketh well to the ways of her household . . . Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her . . . Give her the fruit of her hands and let her works praise her in the gates."

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MARLINTON, W. VA.



Capt. James M. McNeill

Duckey

W. Va.

Built from grass
 and fiber.

The natives are very skilful in
 executing work from
 grass or fiber.
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 made by them from
 bark of a tree.



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Correspondence

Address

James M. McNeill

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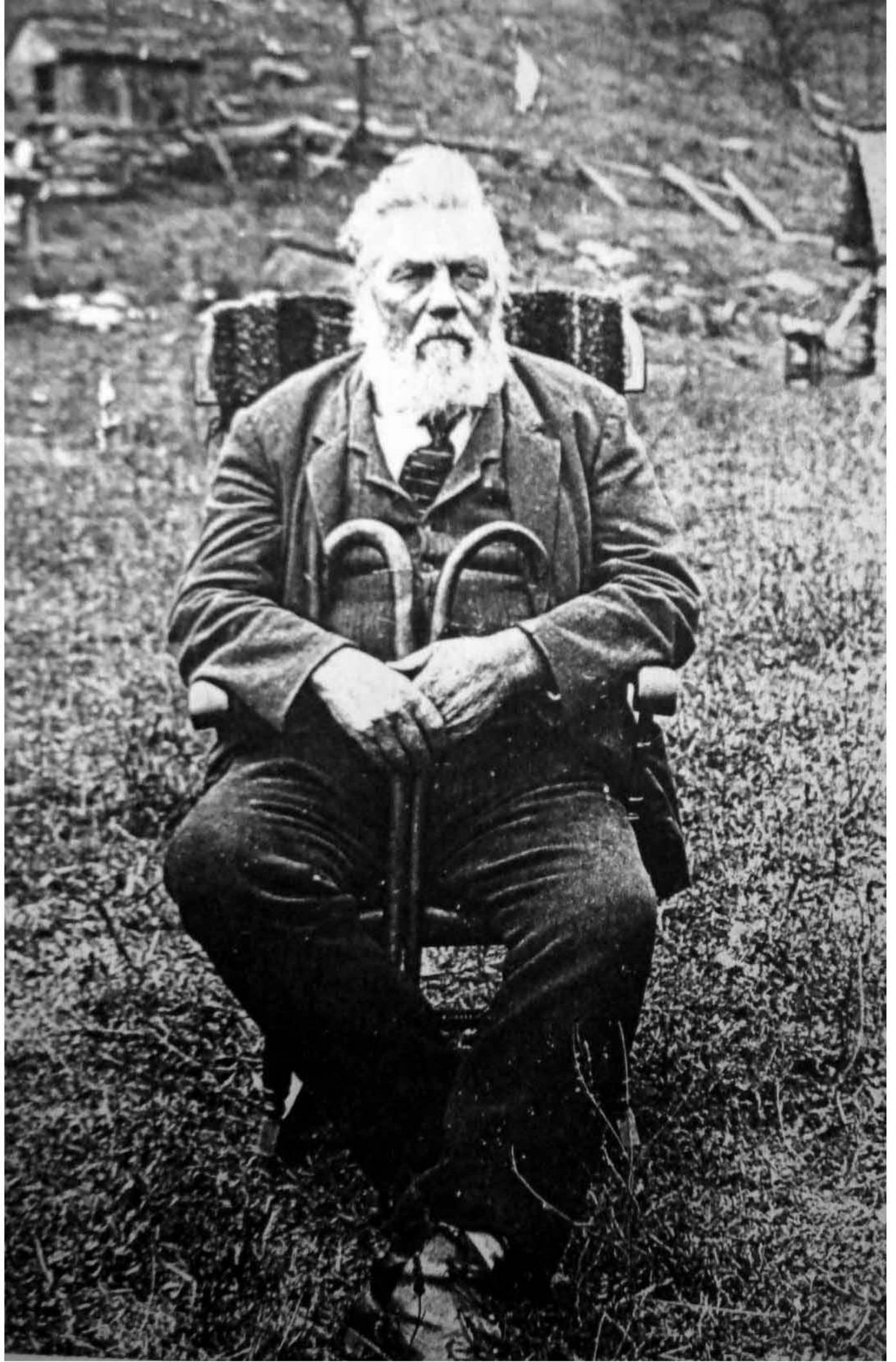


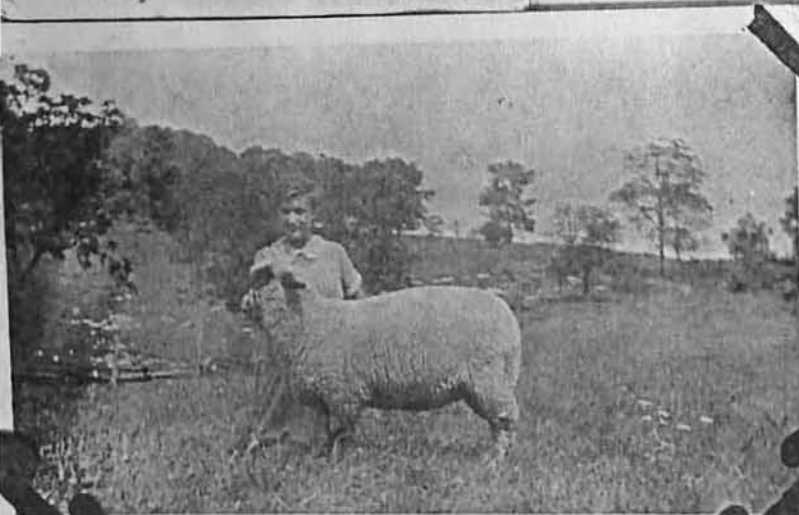
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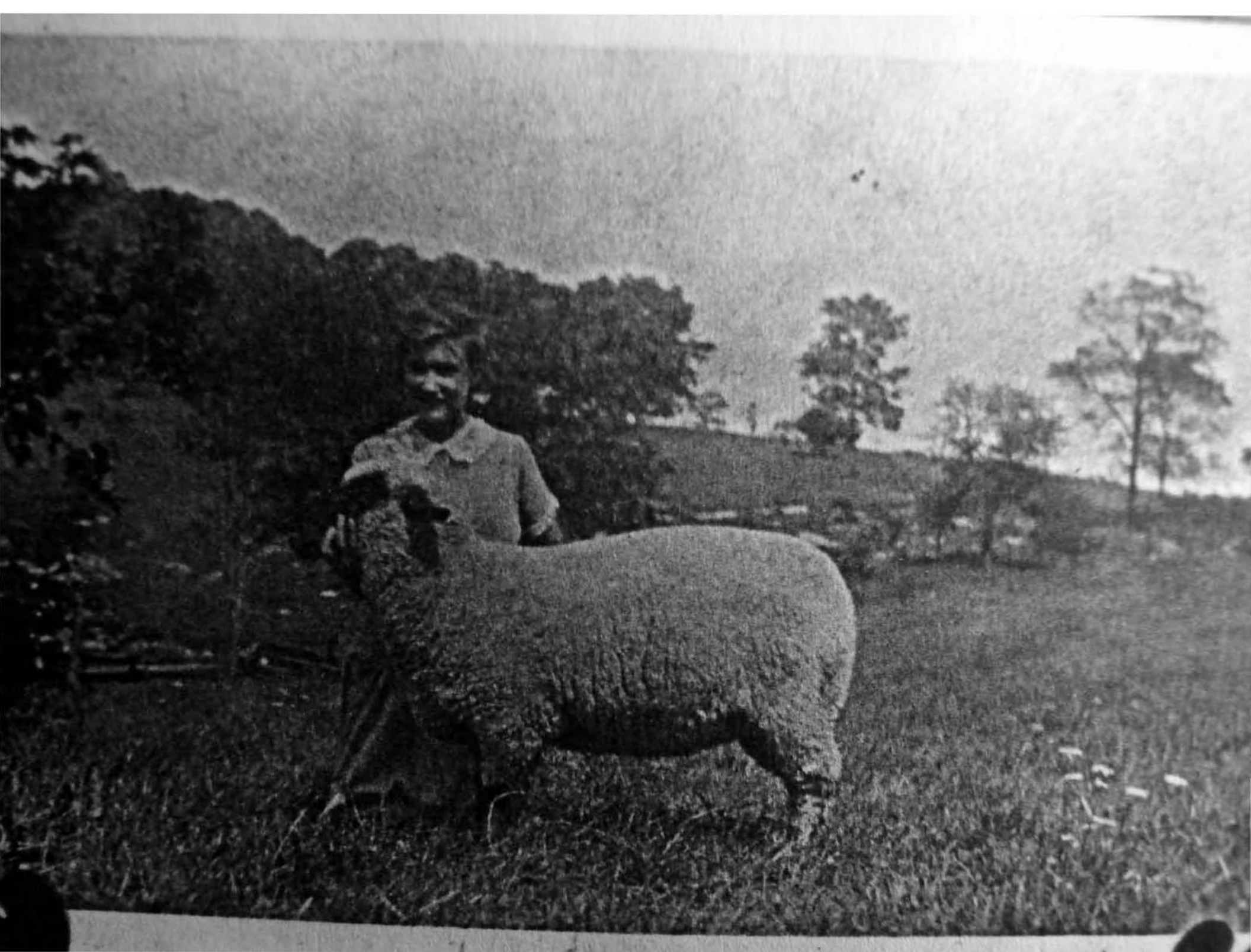
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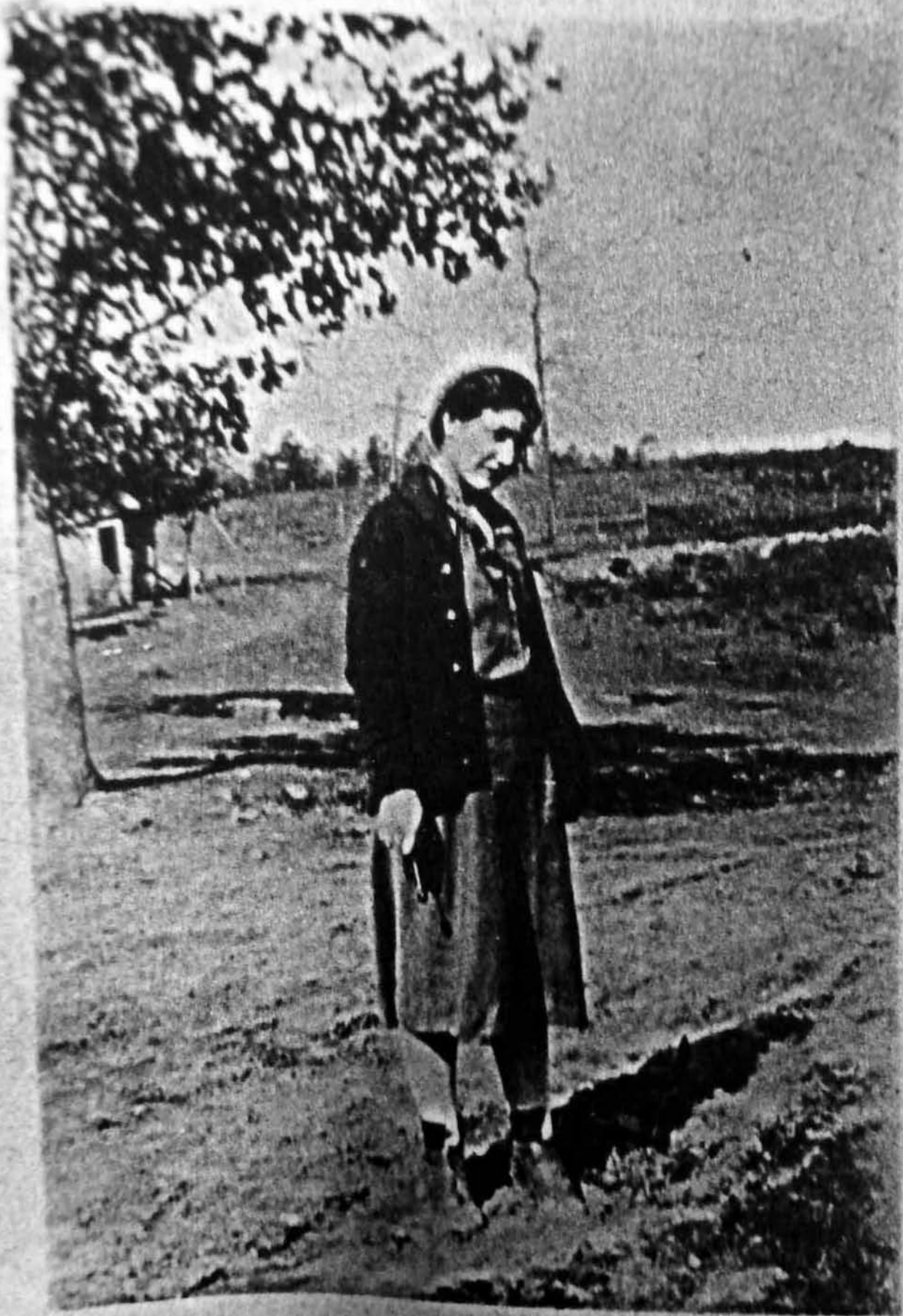
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Washington McMill

Was born March the 14 1825

Died Feb the 17th 1864

He was taken from home
By the Confederate authorities

Jan the 12th 1864

Died at Richmond Va

Camp Lee Hospital

Feb the 17th 1864

Evadne Waugh was

Born October the 8th 1832

Died December 1920

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA



Distinctive Service

This certifies that George D. McNeill has rendered
35 years of service to Public Education in West Virginia
and in sincere appreciation and high praise of such service
this award is presented.

W. M. Frest

State Superintendent of Free Schools

Paige Woodbridge

President, West Virginia Board of Education, 1955-56

DATE June 1956



Office of
Mack H. Brooks
County Superintendent
J. K. Arbogast
Assistant Superintendent

POCAHONTAS COUNTY
Board of Education
Marlinton, West Virginia

November 30, 1956

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Hal Moore, Minnehaha Springs
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Dr. George D. McNeill
Buckeye, West Virginia

Dear Dr. McNeill:

We were very sorry you were unable to be present at the Classroom Teachers' Association Dinner Meeting, November 29. We missed you, because you were recognized as one of the outstanding leaders of the boys and girls of this county during your teaching career.

I am enclosing a copy of the program and a Certificate for Distinctive Service from the State of West Virginia.

With kindest personal regards to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mack H. Brooks, Superintendent
Pocahontas County Schools

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Enclosure

THE OLD ENGLISH



A HUNDRED YEARS OF SOCCER

By Louise McNeill-Pease
Poet Laureate of West Virginia

Davis & Elkins College



Editor's Note: The following story, penned as a gift to Davis & Elkins College by West Virginia's Poet Laureate Louise MacNeill Pease, concludes with the College's 1992-93 academic theme, Year of the Book, and the dedication of the new Booth Library which opens this fall. This descriptive work reflects the competitive and joyous spirit of the Scotch Irish pioneers in West Virginia, and provides real-life insight into the physical endeavors and rich traditions of soccer. The game of soccer has long been an intercollegiate sports emphasis at Davis & Elkins College, and continues the tradition of mutual support by both College and community.

The author's association with the College began in 1942 when her father, the late G. Douglas McNeill, a former lawyer and high school administrator, was appointed associate professor of social science. Because of her great affection for the College, Mrs. Pease has donated her literary works, both published and unpublished, to the growing archival collection in the Booth Library at Davis & Elkins College. This story has been printed as a "pull out" supplement so that it can be removed in its entirety and shared with others.

As soon as I got off the phone call from Annabelle, I knew something had hit me. I was dizzy as a top, and I could hear a name going over and over in my head: "MacQueen!" "Mr. MacQueen!" Annabelle is my sister-in-law and lives up in Pocahontas County (West Virginia), while I live, mostly, in my lift chair down here in Kanawha. I'm 80 1/2 years old and in a rest home, so I do a lot of calling and Annabelle calls me with the news—like with "MacQueen".

As I quieted down, I realized that Annabelle had been telling me about Jamie's Hillsboro soccer team beating Elkins twice, tying Beckley, etc., etc. There's this all-county soccer league for the kids, but Hillsboro is only a village with a few farms gathered round, and Beckley is a coal city, and I had become so flabbergasted

on the phone about how Hillsboro could tie Beckley. Jamie is my great nephew and Annabelle's grandson; so naturally, she was trying to explain Mr. MacQueen. . . . "Mr. MacQueen!" That was it! This MacQueen was a Hillsboro farmer who had come over from Scotland and had taught soccer to Joe and Howard Walker when they were kids. Now Jamie was the kid and Joe his coach, with Howard helping out a little with "The Old English." So - then I knew I had made one of my far-off connections. Why, a man named McKenzie had come to the English Colony more than a hundred years ago; and the English lawyer, J.H.G. Wilson, a soccer expert, had taught the Pocahontas boys how to play. "G. D.", my father, was on that Wilson team and on and on the connections, till one fall, a team of Pocahontas boys had whipped D.C. for the national championship.

This soccer story had come to me, hit me like a head butt. But I don't know much more about soccer than I do about the Doppler Effect, whatever that is. So I got on the phone and called the Davis & Elkins College library and asked for a Xerox. I knew "G. D." had published something about soccer and the English Colony back in the 1950's. Next I wrote Jane Price Sharp at the Pocahontas Times office. I knew Jane could answer a question no one else could, and she could send me some stuff about the Frost team.

By now I knew what I was tracking: a hundred years of soccer the English had left us when they went away. Soccer, head butts, dribbles, "The Old English", as "G. D." said to me that night of his heart attack.

Before long, Jane and the Davis & Elkins library sent a sheaf of Xeroxes, and I began to take notes on the back of old envelopes. I like to keep organized. Especially when I'm

working within a chronology; and this story had a good, straight chronology on the English Colony—when it began and when it ended: 1883-1915.

In 1883 two aristocratic Englishmen, Charles Bruce and R. B. Chomondlay, came to Walter Tuke's in Millboro, Virginia. Bruce was an Oxford professor, and he and Chomondlay were on a hunting trip and also on a land-looking expedition. At Tuke's or on their way farther west, they met Andrew McLaughlin, who, at the time, owned much of the rich, level land upon which the town of Marlinton stands today. McLaughlin encouraged the visitors, talked to them about their plans for sheep farming in America, and pointed them on their westward way.

They came to the headspring of Tygart River, and before them lay the romantic dream. Standing above were the mountains covered with virgin spruce and pine. Below the mountains were the cleared slopes of bluegrass pasture. They could hear the very headspring of Tygart River purling out of the earth.

The woods were full of game: bear, deer, panther, pheasant, turkey; and the water branches were alive with brook trout. The birthplace of the winding Elk River lay not far to the eastward; and there were local farms, neighbors—not too many the Englishmen trusted—to despoil their paradise.

They bought, "cheap as dirt," a large tract of land. Then, with their traveling cook, Loyd, and possibly help also from some native workers, cut timber and built two sturdy houses. Bruce called his "The Glen."

Before long, though records are not clear as to the arrangements, Mrs. Bruce arrived from England bringing with her the two Bruce children and two servant maids.

After this pioneer settlement, the influx of English settlers was rapid and enthusiastic.

Geographically, the settlement was to extend, finally, from Linwood to Mingo. Houses such as "New Market" and "Fair Haven" and sheep farms scattered uphill and down dale. The sheep were usually Hampshire, Southdown, or Cheviot, and were shipped to market on a branch of the new C & O Railroad which was coming in to haul out the hardwood timber of the new, fast-running lumber boom.

The Englishmen were of that hardy sporting breed. A race track was built, a polo field, tennis courts, soccer fields. There was a zest for fly fishing, and also that famous marathon race between young Norman Price of Marlinton and the Englishman, F.S.L. Grews. Grews won the race from Mingo to the Marlinton bridge, covering some 25 miles in 2 hours, 59 minutes—crossing, on his way, three "formidable spurs of the Big Allegheny." But a few weeks later, Grews, out alone on a bear hunt, did not return by nightfall. Search was made. Grews was found lying on a flat rock, stone dead. He was buried in the Mingo graveyard; and, for him, I remember that. There is some corner of a foreign field that is forever England.

As I think of the great Mountain Marathon, "G. D.'s" voice comes back to me from a corner of our home fireplace, though I can remember only the gist of what he said. The Greek boy fell dead in the market square. If you count the time, Grews made a real run. When they found him, no sign of a struggle. Probably over-developed heart. As "G. D." speaks, the fire flames spin and cinders fall down. Some of the English, Oxford graduates. Some, younger sons of the nobility. Brought their maids, cooks, nurses, governesses, even a horse trainer. Then there was that Wilson, J.H.G. Wilson, just out of Oxford, and set up his law practice in Marlinton. As

"G. D." wrote in the article, "This Wilson was a soccer player deluxe." I remember his voice again, "A soccer player if I ever saw one. Coached us Marlinton boys. The thing spread. A soccer field in every holler and hamlet."

Because this "hollow and hamlet" growth of soccer paralleled the big years of our mountain timber boom, it is easy to imagine these great soccer games on a summer, Saturday afternoon. For Saturday was pronounced a holiday, and one can enlarge the length of the standard soccer field to 150 yards so as to make room for the 50 players on each side.

Here they were—say in one of Uncle Bob's or Uncle Jim Gibson's big stubble fields on Elk. The players, as they line up, are a "Motley Crew": farmers, loggers, and "nimble barefoot youths of twelve." The men are in their logger shirts and in cowhide boots or calk-heeled logger shoes. Some of the men wear long whiskers, and maybe there is a chew of "Brown Mule" tucked carefully back in the jaw.

The contest is fierce, sometimes bloody: calk-heeled boot on bare shin bone, a secret poke at a nose, and the whoops and hollers, "The Old English" head butt cracking against the ball, the mass of fans running up and down the sidelines, a few bottles of redevye whiskey passing up and down to thirst-quench the screaming crowd or even to bring a withering player back on his feet.

Lawyer Wilson's "Oxford" team from Marlinton was disgracefully beaten in the first game with the English, but there is a far sharper point, an historic point, to be made here. For a few of these native teams continued for more than 30 years and, then, sent their offshoots into the future, a future that extends through the generations even to the

Hillsboro kids, even to "Mr. MacQueen."

This long and prosperous life was not, however, to bless the English Colony itself. The late 1880's and the early 1890's were the golden years. Altogether, those who came and "tarried for awhile" numbered about 50. A few of their names evoke, "This happy breed of men, this little world": Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bruce and maid; W. T. and J. D. Langwerthy; James McKenzie; P. C. Puckle; Hubert Eainshaw and mother; Mr. and Mrs. Latimer Tuke and daughter, Gladys.

The era 1885-1900 can be seen as the years of growth and a certain stability. But the Boer War in South Africa (1899) and World War I (1915) called some of the men to Old England's need. One of these Mingo volunteers died in the Boer War and two in World War I. There were also two meaningful departures farther into West Virginia. The Latimer Tuke family, in 1908, moved to another farm near White Sulphur Springs, Greenbrier County. Also, Rev. O. N. Miles began to move his family to the little country churches: to Linwood, to Cloverlick, finally to Marlinton. Today, 1991, no known living descendant of the Colony remains in America. Yet the English had left to the people of Randolph and Pocahontas treasures now beyond recall. Certainly, they had left a touch of their gentle manners, a half-tone of their gentle speech, a measure of their "sporting blood," and a kind of exotic legend to tell by the fire. Most of all they had left their soccer. The first two Englishmen came to Walker Tuke's in Millboro, 1883; Jamie's schoolboy soccer league was organized in the late 1970's; and in between were those bursts of life, those lifts of joy, those legends of war and sacrifice, those summer Saturdays, those living fields of the sun.

It has been recorded that after the departure of the

English, some of the Pocahontas soccer teams lived on for 30 years. Actually a few lived more than 30, and the team at Frost is a prime example. The Frost team was organized before 1900 and was still playing in 1937. Another enduring team was in the Brush Country where Willie Dilley and some of his brothers played.

I am 80 years old with a fair memory, and my brother Jim and I both remember at least one game on the field behind the old Marlinton High School. "G. D." played in this game and was 48-50 years old. Other more notable games were played at the "Old Fairground", up Greenbrier River. In one of these Fairground games, Frost played Luke, Maryland. Another big game was between Frost and Newport News, Virginia. The crowd was estimated at 3,500. The last organized Frost team played, in 1937, a championship game against D.C. So the Frost team, organized before 1900, did indeed, play more than 30 years. A picture of the Frost team, in official uniforms, is printed in the Pocahontas County History, 1981. It is a team essentially of Sharps and Dilleys. Names listed are: Bob Curry, Willie Dilley, Kyle Sharp, Earl Sharp, Ashley Dilley, Floyd Dilley, Roy Dilley, Delbert Reed, Johnny Sharp, Blair Sharp, Basil Sharp, Leo Dilley, and Ernest Sharp.

The years between 1937 and 1941 are not long. They seem to rush by. Suddenly, in December 1941, stands that iron crossway where many must meet and many must part. That crossway was

Sunday morning, December 7. "Calling all ships!" "Calling all ships!"

Some Englishmen had left the Mingo Colony in 1915 to go into World War I. I mull it over: how the sons of some of these Mingo English might have played soccer with Basil Sharp on the fields of France.

"G. D.", in the fall of 1941, had retired from his high school job in Pocahontas and gone, when he was 63, to teach at Davis & Elkins College over in Randolph County. Basil Sharp had attended Davis & Elkins before World War II loomed on our horizons. At Davis & Elkins, Basil had played regular football, finished his college work, and in 1941, was coaching football in Pocahontas.

"G. D.", over at Davis & Elkins that fall of 1941, looked around to find a flat place. When he had been 23, he had been one of Lawyer J.H.G. Wilson's Marlinton boys. Now at 63 he became the first (if highly unofficial coach) of Davis & Elkins' soccer team. This first team was only a small start on a long way. But it was the start of the Davis & Elkins teams which had coaches, of the Davis & Elkins team that won the U.S. Championship, of the many teams that stood out and still stand in the nation as powers to reckon with. All the way from Oxford University — "old J.H.G.", as "G. D." would say it, had done "pretty well."

I wrote to Jane Price Sharp to find out if Basil had played soccer at Davis & Elkins. No. Basil had never played soccer at Davis & Elkins. There was no soccer team. Plain enough. But he had played it on the Fields of France. When back

from the Front, Basil had played old J.H.G.'s Oxford soccer on the Fields of France. Then one time when Basil didn't come back from the Front, he became, along with a few of our other boys, a legend because he would never grow old.

"G. D." stayed at Davis & Elkins through the war and taught the raw military recruits the geography of the Pacific: Philippine Islands, Iwo Jima, Coral Sea. Then he stayed on to teach the "G.I." boys back from the war, teaching them economics and business law.

"And is the field still playing?" One night when "G. D." was 71-72, I had rushed halfway across the state to stand at his bedside in an Elkins hospital. A heart attack had hit him like a thunderbolt. As I stood there drawn-faced and exhausted, he looked up at me with those cool brown eyes. "This evening, up on the field, I was showing the boys. A little of The Old English. Don't tell your mother."

So now in 1991, Jamie's Hillsboro team has beaten Elkins, tied Beckley, beaten Bridgeport, etc. As I think about it all, my heart goes quiet. The English Colony at Mingo, Lawyer Wilson, "G. D.", Basil, young Jamie, Willie Dilley, Mr. MacQueen—all mixed up with the Frost boys and all the old boys, like Kilroy, who was here, and all the old soldier boys of England and France, mixed somehow, too, with the boys of "Desert Storm". Or if I think down deeper, mixed forever with those Saturday afternoons of joy in the stubble Fields of the Sun.

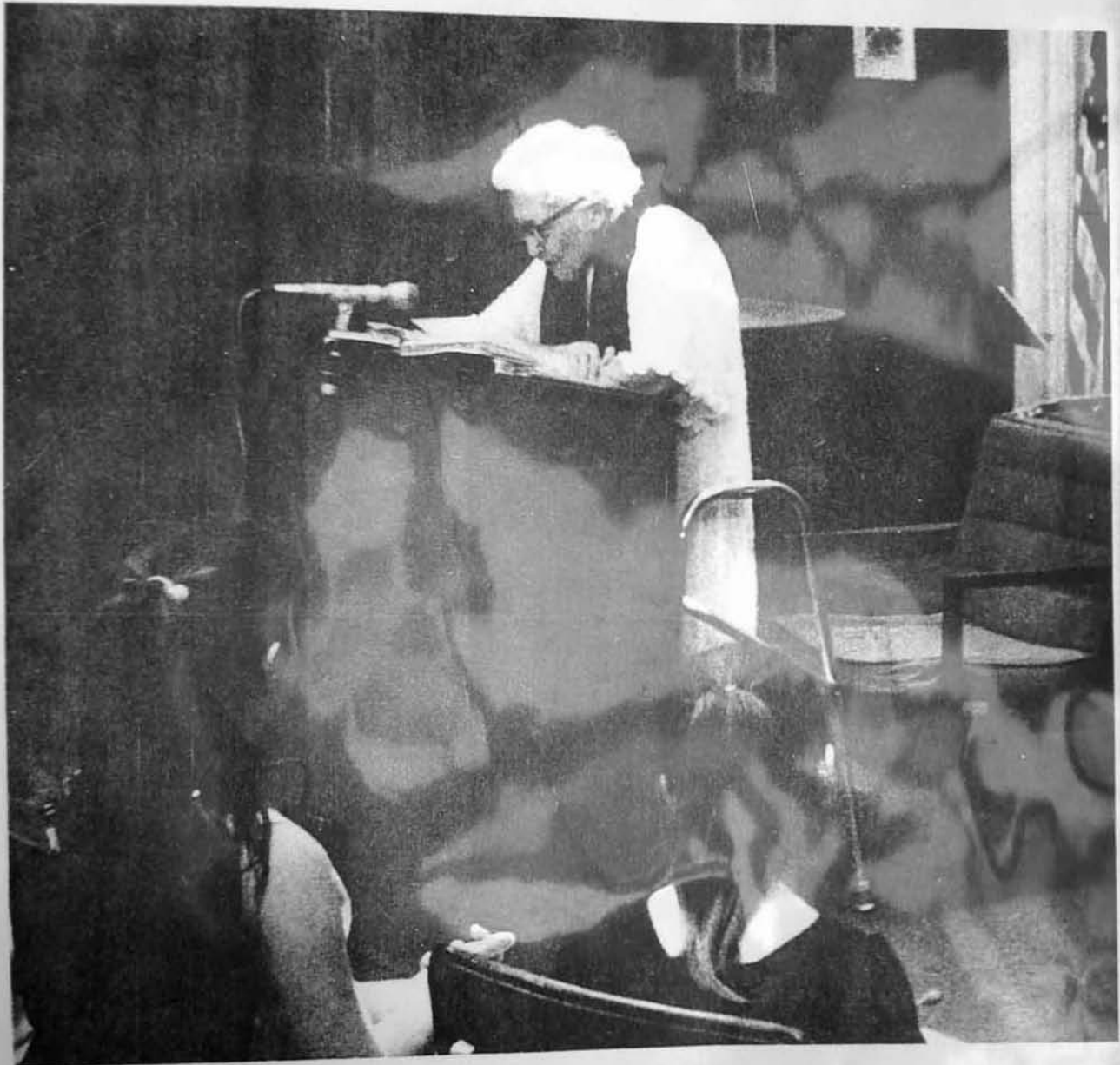




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Little White House

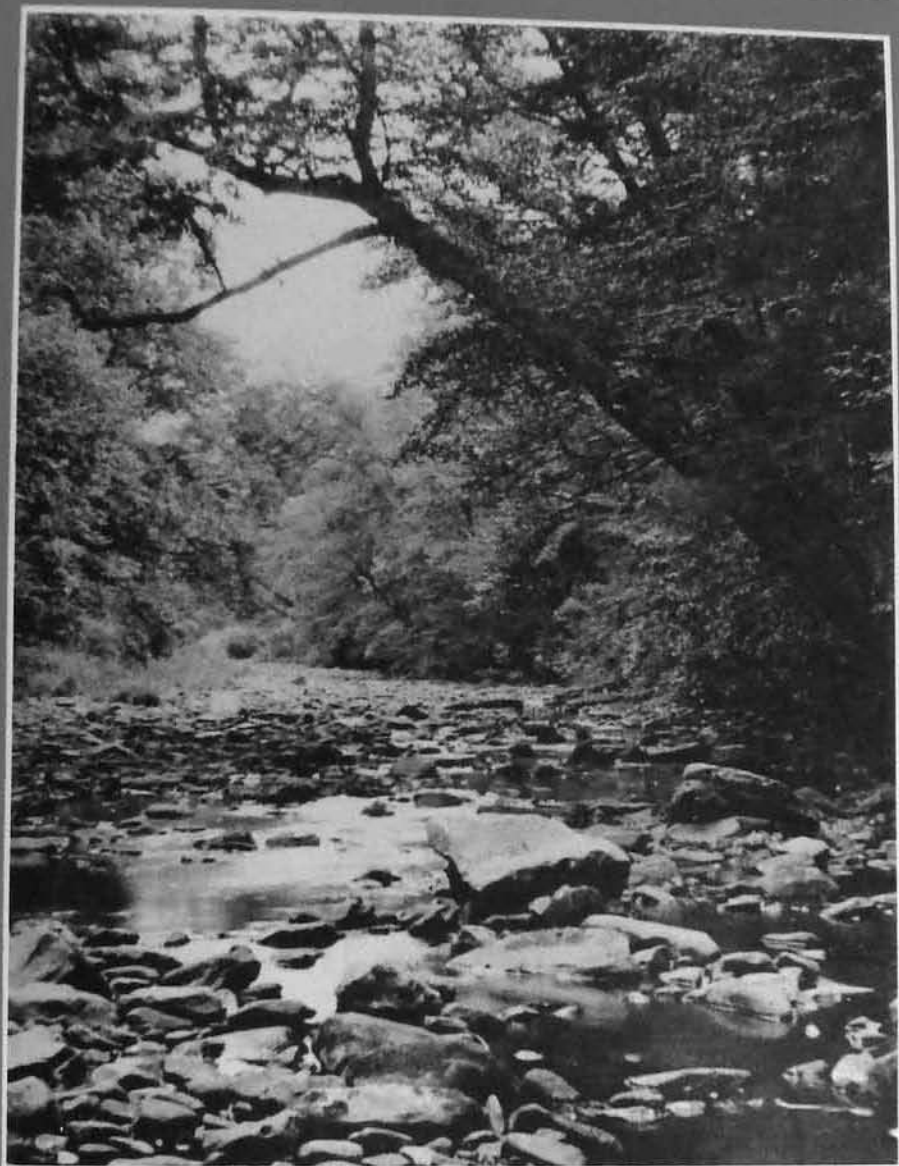
LOUISE MCNEILL READS IN ST. ALBANS



Louise McNeill, the Poet Laureate of West Virginia, gave a poetry reading at the St. Albans Branch Library during National Library Week. The reading was recorded by West Virginia Public Radio which is preparing a documentary on Dr. McNeill. The poet now resides in Malden, West Virginia, in Kanawha County.

Gordon Simmons of TransAllegheny Books in Charleston introduced Mrs. McNeill. Adding a touch of class to the evening were Willard Reynolds and Jim Snyder, both staff members at Kanawha County Public Library, who provided special music. Snyder put Dr. McNeill's poem "Monogahela" to music.

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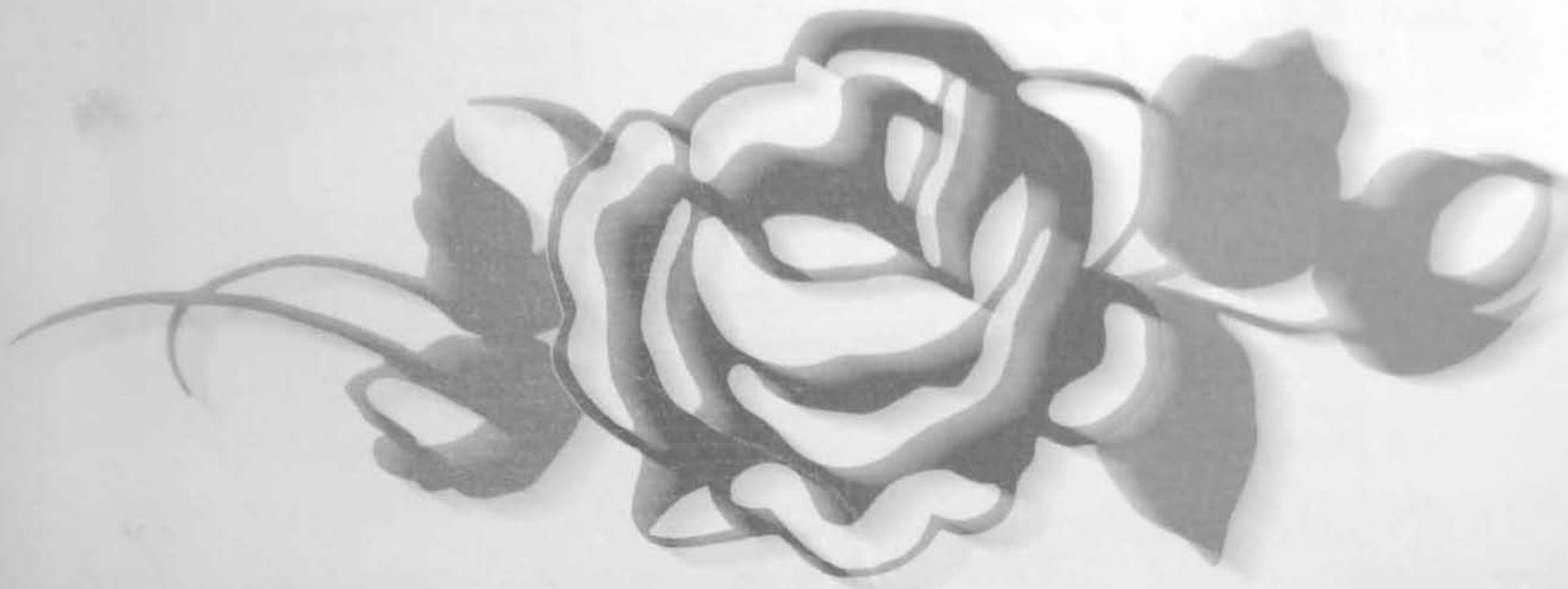
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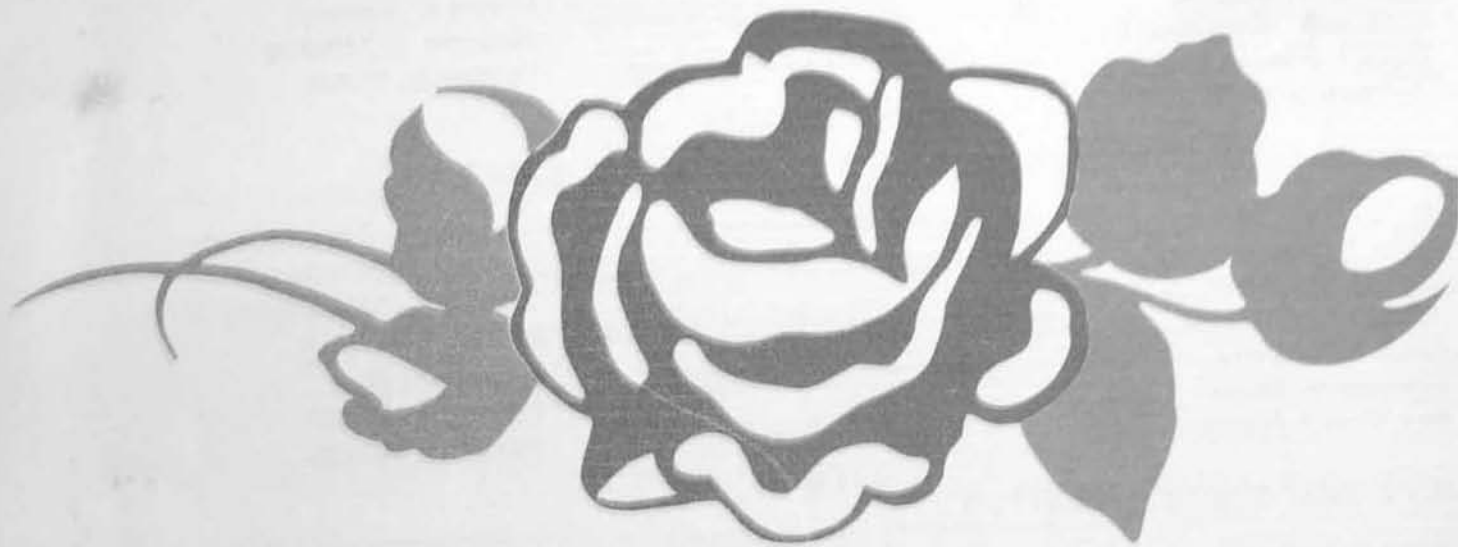
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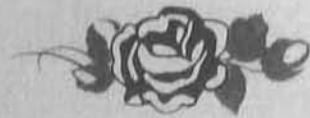
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Fresh Old Fashioned Lemonade

Cheese Omelets

Pineapple Raisin Waldorf Salad

Roast Sliced Tenderloin

Sausage Links

French Cut Green Bean Almondine Casserole

Home Fries

Fresh Fruit in Watermelon Baskets

Date Nut and Blueberry Muffins

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Iced Tea

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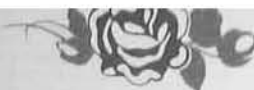
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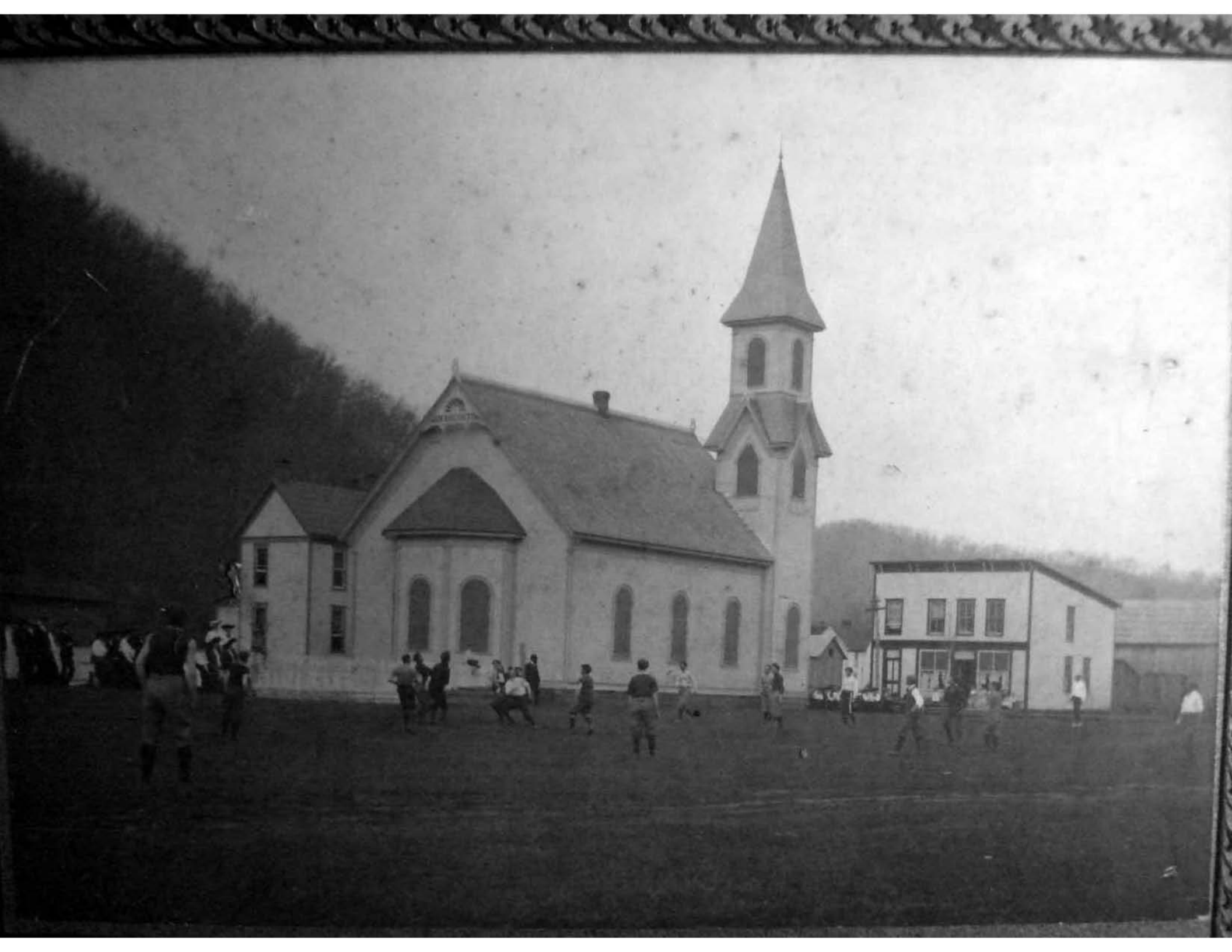




To.

G. D. McNeill

W. R. Griffiths





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Short Story - E.A. Cross

Hawthorne - 1804 - 1864

Poe 1809 - 1849

were the first to reduce the
Short Story to a definite formula.

England, Russia and Germany
have not equaled America and
France in the production of Short-
Story.

Some books on the Short Story

A Study of the Short Story - Cautley

Writing the Short Story - Esenwein

The Short Story - Brandes Mathews.

The Carpenter must have
definite conception of the building
to be erected, else he spoils mate-
rial in cutting. So must the
writer have plans and specifications
of his novel or short-story.

People - Incidents - Settings = The

For "People" we may say "Characters" because all stories do not have people for actors.

Call of Wild

A Night Out - Pipin

Adventures of a Gunner - Johnson

But since all actors are made to represent people, This is the better word.

Incidents are the things done and make up the vehicles on which character of actors are revealed.

Setting = Time, Place, and Conditions Atmosphere ^{and} Tone. It fills the blank background and brings harmony just as the background in "The Harrowers".

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Incident " Action

Setting " description.

It does not seem necessary that this rule be always adhered to.

Either of the three may be so far forced into foreground as to dwarf other two.

The Pendulum is all action practically.
Lady ^{and} the Tigers " " "

Most tales of Arabian Nights. "

The great story should have a theme then drive it home by use of the three materials.

The Short Story is an impression from life.

Theme is "meaning" - the human truth to be brought home. It is an "impression from life".

Having determined the Theme, the writer employs means to develop it. Some of these means

phrases of speech,
phrasology, etc

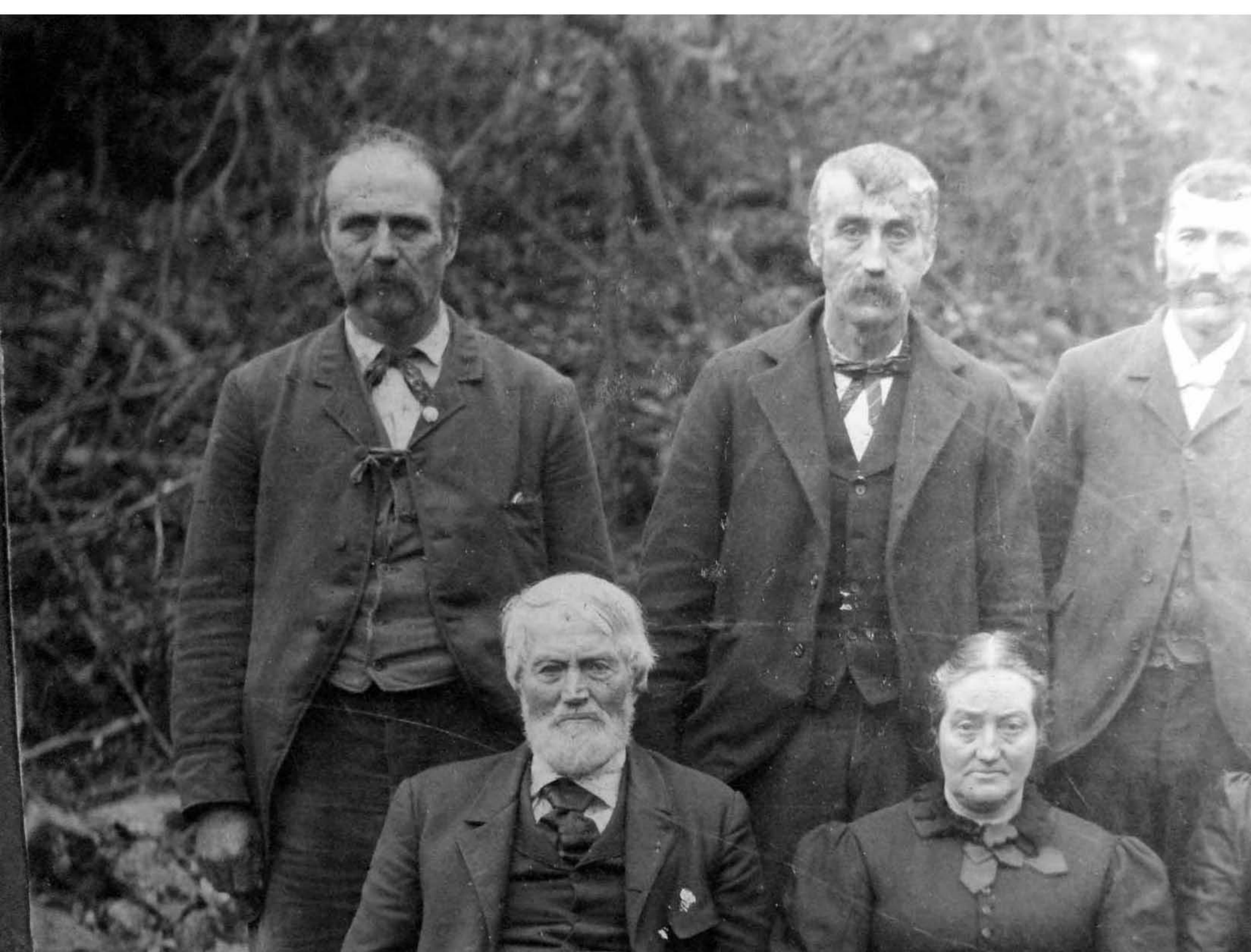
Appearance of Truth

Truth is no guarantee that
it is Credible. Fiction is more
reasonable than truth often times.
A fact may be taken then fiction
applied to make it reasonable.
Truth is not important - Appearance
of truth - Verisimilitude is.

Classic vs Romance
Look at the difference between the two













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A farming tradition in Pocahontas

McNeills

ponder future:

Keep or sell

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By Kristen Svingen

SUNDAY GAZETTE MAIL

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Inside, beyond the reach of his herd of 60 cows, overgrown grass conceals the cracked and crooked tombstones on the older graves. As if human, those stones seem to have shrivelled with the decades, decades that stretch well into the last century.

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Revolution. Ready to retire, McNeill and his wife Annabelle face the question of what to do with the historic property.

Photos by F. BRIAN FERGUSON

Drop watches expectantly. "Second cousin," he says finally.

A few steps away, flush against the fence, four more familiar graves lie in a row.

"Louise's," he says, gesturing with a weathered hand toward the tombstone of his famous big sister, the former state poet laureate who died last year. "That's my brother. My dad. And my mother."

McNeill wades through the grass toward the center of the cemetery, where some of the oldest tombstones sink in the Pocahontas County hilltop. From his flannel shirt pocket he fishes out the glasses — "spec-tickles" he calls them — but still he can't make out the names of the oldest ancestors. Time and the elements have erased them, making it uncertain which relation the earth is holding there.

He stands in the middle of this place, smokes his cigarette, savors the quiet, the company, and the familiar view of the farm below, where McNeill and the kin now buried here have toiled for more than 200 years.

It's been a hard year for haying on the 217-acre farm (Mc-

Getting on in years and suffering from rheumatism and heart problems, McNeill, 76, doubts he has much more farming in him. After tossing his cigarette into the grass and shutting the cemetery gate on the farm's past, he stops to ponder the future. The thoughts guide his gaze across U.S. 219, to former farmland that has since been subdivided into housing lots.

"Those people here are from New Jersey," McNeill says, with a nod to a brown wood frame ranch. "That big house over there's New Jersey."

McNeill, his wife Annabelle, and their only son Blix, a car salesman in nearby Marlinton, have had years to consider what will happen to the farm.

"I may build a good road and lot it off," McNeill says as he sits in the yellow swing on the front porch of his house, the third family home built on the property. "It wouldn't be hard to get offers."

Annabelle takes a hard line against selling. She invokes the wishes of her sister-in-law Louise to back herself up, suggesting the writer would roll



McNeill's grandson Jamie helps him bale hay. The family hopes the 16-year-old will one day follow in his grandfath-

er's footsteps, but Jamie dreams of a better-paying job in construction.

over in her grave if that grave were ever to become part of someone else's back yard.

"Of course — Lord oh mercy — she just thought that the land just has to go on and on and on

in the McNeill name. She'd never think of selling it."

"I'm not that extreme," her husband says.

"So it was with us, and is with us still, over two hundred

years and nine generations of the farm keeping us, and we believing that we keep the farm. But that is not the way

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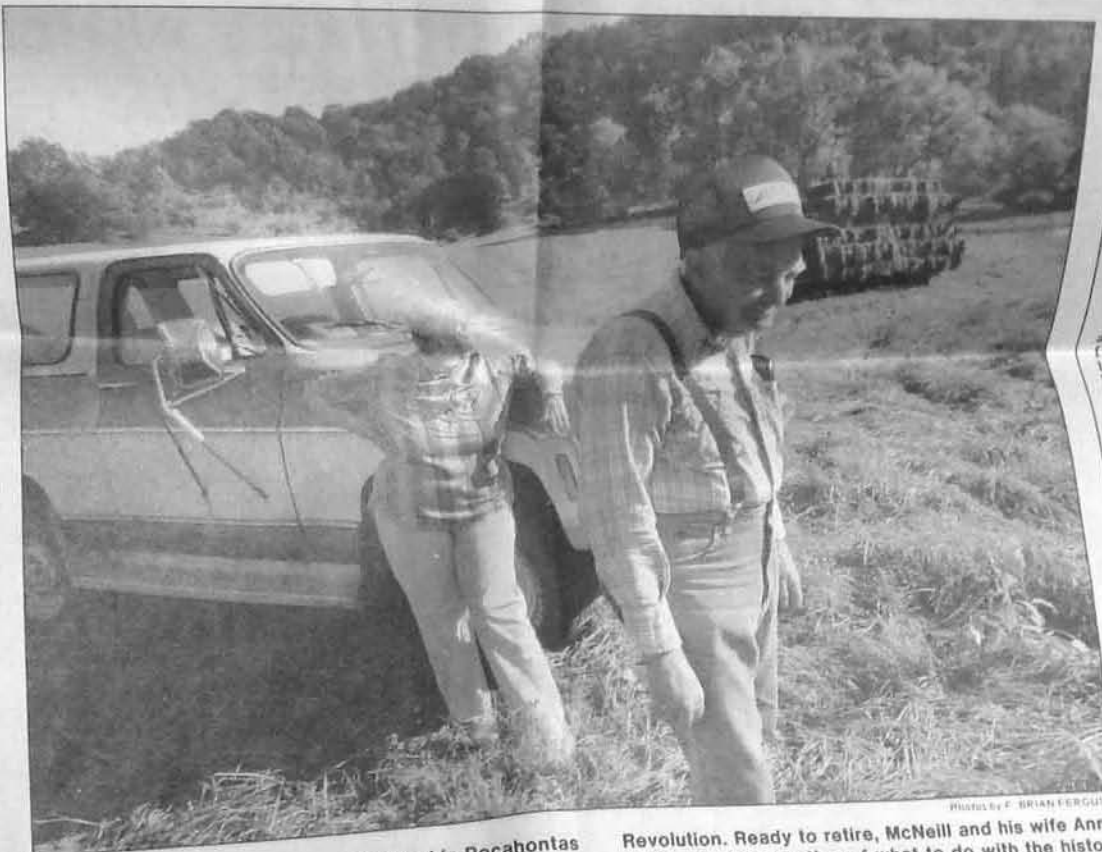
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Neill rents out 750 more). Rain delayed them for weeks, and even when the sun shone McNeill was hard pressed to find anyone to do the arduous work for the \$4.25 an hour he was offering.

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Ivins first Chilton lecturer

A free public event will be added to the cultural life of the Kanawha Valley Monday night — the first program of the W.E. Chilton III Leadership Lectures Series, which begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Cultural Center in the Capitol Complex.

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Whimsical, iconoclastic, national columnist Molly Ivins is the first Chilton lecturer. The Texas-based writer — who says she covers politics and "other bizarre happenings" — is known for her sardonic commentaries on public sham and hypocrisy.



Ivins

Retired Gazette Editor Don Marsh is to introduce Ivins at Monday's program. She will be

See IVINS Page 2C

Newsprint costs force price hike

The price of home-delivered subscriptions to The Charleston Gazette, the Charleston Daily Mail and The Sunday Gazette-Mail will increase Oct. 2.

For seven-day subscriptions that are delivered to the home, the increase will be 35 cents a week — from \$2.25 to \$2.60 a week. Six-day subscriptions, which

will go from \$2.00 to \$2.35 a week, and Sunday-only subscriptions will increase by 25 cents to \$1.30 a week.

Single copy and newsstand prices will remain unchanged.

Jack Findley, president and general manager of Charleston Newspapers, said the increase was necessary because of a dramatic increase in the price of newsprint. Later this year and throughout next year, the cost of newsprint is expected to go up more than \$100 a ton. Charleston Newspapers uses more than 9,500 tons of newsprint a year.

Also, in an effort to improve delivery service, Findley said, Charleston Newspapers will be increasing the profit earned by its newspaper carriers.

Nevertheless, Findley said, after this price increase, the Gazette and Daily Mail will continue to rank among the lowest-priced papers in West Virginia.

Charleston Newspapers is the publishing agency of the Ga-

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Calendar of Events



Artwork: Larry McDowell, Mr. Zon, WV, winner of the Adult category, History is Alive Art Contest



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Grandma Lee
died in 1916

Dad went to work

Age 10 - May 1st Carried water for yard crew.
J.R. Lee Co - Roney (Saw mill) at Watago got
75¢ a day.

Age 11 - Picked wood from Conveyer for Forest
M. Lee for 50¢ a day.

Age 12 - Sliced inside mill for 1.75 a day.

~~11~~ Picked Stupid late same year for
Promotion only not pay - got ^{50¢} on
U.S. - where the cogs hit his leg.

Age 13 - went to work on Carriage in April
got, 2.00 per day (Logging)

Age 18 Stayed until the mill ^{was out} ~~left~~ + Dad
(Wm. Tome bought from Roney) - \$2.00 per day

Age 18 - went to Clover Dick at young's Store
left Store to go to set block 7.5. Wm.
Lee Co. - 3.50 per day.

Age 19 - Went to Raywood - Set blocks + Served
(1917) for Warren Lee Co. Bob - ~~Ray~~ Harry
got \$6.00 per day. + Preston (boss)

Age 20 - went to Mt. Grove - 7 set blocks for
J.E. Moore Lee Co. - 4.50 a day ^{until} Nov, 1917

Age 20 Dec. 5th 1917 - Jan - 1918 went to
Brownville as Braker on Penna Railroad

27 saw mill
on Humboldt

7/2/2

Bat - Ex ha list as breakman. Pd - 75⁰⁰
per week - work day & night to get
that. (Lolli pop engine) - worked there
4 1/2 yrs. 6 mo.

Age 21 - ~~Bat~~ Back to Spier Run to Saw
mill as block setter & ex ha sawer -
1918 Rec. 4 50 per day. Wiseman Mill sawmill
1918 ¹⁹¹⁸ ~~July~~ ^{Spring} ~~1918~~
Did everything in hand mill except - ^{engineer} Stamping
file saw. - Blanche born that yr.

Age 22 - Came to Campbelltown 1st April 1919.
Started in store building with Uncle Burgess
Stayed there until he spent all the
money he had. Stayed there until
& sold to Bill Van Raman. about a yr.

23 - Helped build road - (2 1/2) on rock crushed
Mail. to Camp.

24 - ^{dogged} ^{Sawed} ^{Set} ^{Lt. Co.} ^{Saw}
Tolrest - Burgess & Dad worked for Barlow
Lolalia road. P.O. at Hills.
mom & Aunt Vallie run store in the yard
where I was born.

Age 25 - April 5th 1922

25 - Went to work Clayton Forge Grocery Co.
Stayed there for - 27 yrs.

52 New Bid - 49-50 - Moved - Poca. Gro. Co.
Made in 1947 - 49 ¹⁹⁴⁷ ¹⁹⁵⁵ Summer 1955

59 Worked for Poca Gro. for - 1962 - 7 yrs.

59 1/2 " " Co. - 1962 3 yrs.

62 1/2 " " Rickard " - May 15 1965 & been
there 13 & still going

MARVIN DUNBRACK'S HISTORY

Peter Dunbrack, son of John Dunbrack and Jean Hawthorne of Meaghers' Grant, Nova Scotia, born October 1823 died 1887, married Charlotte Sophia Innes, daughter of Richard Innes, Lake Porter, Nova Scotia, November 16, 1852.

Alexander George Dunbrack was one of their family of ten children. He was born November 11, 1853, in Middle Musquodoboit, Halifax County, Nova Scotia, Canada. He died July 18, 1936, in Campbelltown and was buried in Mt. View Cemetery in Marlinton, West Virginia.

George Dunbrack left the Dunbrack farm in Canada in 1873 at the age of 20. He was a white pine woodsman and as a teamster worked for \$1 per day plus board for the St. Laurence Lumber Company and also worked on the log river drives. The last drive he worked on was 1907 on Greenbrier River. His later years spent as a farmer. He married Harriet Ann Ryder May 7, 1889, and to this union were born six sons and five daughters. Their children are:

	<u>Born</u>	<u>Died</u>	<u>Married</u>
Loucrisia	February 11, 1882	August 29, 1963	George Campbell
Irvine	April 4, 1890		

Brooklyn McLaughlin

Born April 21, 1980

Daughter of Gary and
Jona McLaughlin

Marvin Dunbrack was born at Beaver Creek close to Huntersville on May 1, 1897. He has held various jobs throughout his life and started to work at the age of ten as a water boy for 50¢ a day for J. R. Droney Lumber Company at Watoga. He worked for the Ban Sawmill of Greenbrier Division at Cloverlick, Raywood, Mt. Grove, Virginia and Spice Run doing all jobs at sawmill with exception of sawfiler and lumber grader. Worked for Pennsylvania Railroad as brakeman in January 1918. Owned and operated store in Campbelltown, was Grocery Warehouse Supervisor for Clifton Forge Grocery Company from 1922 to 1930. Salesman and Manager of the Pocahontas Grocery Company from 1930-1965. His work extended into Randolph and Greenbrier Counties. He was salesman for Covington Wholesale for two years

storeowners still living that he called on, and all salesmen that worked this territory as a competitor are now deceased. He also bought and sold ginseng for 58 years.

Marvin has been active as a member of the Campbelltown Methodist Church since May 1922, where he taught a youth class of boys with an enrollment of twenty-two--average age, eighteen. He was Sunday School Superintendent and teacher of the adult Bible class for 50 years, and although he retired at age 84, he is frequently called on to teach as a substitute teacher.

Marvin also worked as a laborer at the rock crusher using a sledge hammer to crush rock small enough to go through the crusher. He helped build the now existing Rt. 219 from Marlinton to Campbelltown.

Marvin recalls that ladies worked at the Empire Kindling Wood Company at Watoga to bundle kindling blocks about 2" long to be shipped by railroad car lots to different cities to be used as fuel. Marvin's sister, Clara, worked at this job and was paid 20¢ for 100 bundles, making \$1 to \$1.50 per day.





